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SUBJ: CMLA ZIA MEETS THE PRESS

CHIEF MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATOR (CML A) GENERAL ZIA
MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES ON
SEPTEMBER 13 TO DECIDE ON AN ELECTION CODE OF ETHICS.
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSIONS, GENERAL ZIA INVITED
THE PRESS INTO THE CONFERENCE ROOM AND ANNOUNCED THAT ALL
PARTIES HAD AGREED TO HIS SUGGESTIONS IN PRINCIPLE. HE ADDED
THAT THE AND PNA SHOULD SUBMIT SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR HIS
CONSIDERATION PPP"/ZIA ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WILL BE
TELEVISED "FACE TO FACE" DEBATES BETWEEN THE MAJOR CANDIDATES DURING
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THE CAMPAIGN. NO FURTHER DETAILS WERE GIVEN.

2. THE CMLA ALSO SAID THAT, ALTHOUGH HE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE OCTOBER 18 ELECTION DATE WAS NOT SACRED AND COULD BE CHANGED, HE HAD "UP UNTIL NOW" SEEN NOTHING THAT WOULD COMPEL HIM TO DELAY THE POLLS.

3. ZIA MADE NO MENTION OF FORMER PM BHUTTO'S RELEASE ON BAIL, WHICH WE HAVE REPORTED SEPTEL. HUMMEL

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